

major publication, '*A guide to the smaller British Lepidoptera*'. This work, together with the supplement published in 1958 remained the microlepidopterist's *vade mecum* for 30 years until the publication of its successor, A.M. Emmet's '*A field guide to the smaller British Lepidoptera*', published in 1979, — to which Jacobs contributed both practically and financially.

He became President for a second time in 1954 when he took the opportunity to read his third illustrated paper on the British Oecophoridae. He was elected an honorary life member in 1967. Throughout his association with the Society he was a regular exhibitor and contributor to indoor meetings, and made many donations to the library and collections. He attended meetings well into his 80s, and the annual exhibition in his 90s!

I would like to conclude this brief memoir with a personal recollection. I first met Stanley in 1971, and will always remember the generosity of his advice, his company and wry sense of humour. He was fiercely independant and I recall many hair-raising trips through the London rush-hour, with Stanley at the wheel, to attend BENHS meetings. He was very disappointed when his doctor banned him from driving in 1979 but his resignation to house-bound immobility did not last very long. Feeling that 82 was really too young to, as he put it, 'prepare for pupation' he decided that two legs would be a reasonable substitute for four wheels, and continued to attend Society meetings and exhibitions for many further years. One incident reminds me of his determination: we were travelling to London by train for a BENHS meeting at around the time of his 85th birthday. The train broke down, and we were forced to walk down the track to Brixton station, a ten minute hobble in total darkness and cold drizzle. At the end of this I, some half a century his junior, was ready to pack up and go home. Stanley was not. He won.

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SHORT COMMUNICATION

***Agrilus sinuatus* (Olivier) (Coleoptera:Buprestidae) widespread in Gloucestershire, and at a Herefordshire locality.** — Ian Carter (1986) added *Agrilus sinuatus* to the Gloucestershire list on the basis of specimens beaten from hawthorns on Leckhampton Hill, 29.vii.1985. Later in the same year he found the species at North Cerney and Whiteliff Park, Berkeley (Carter, pers.comm.). I examined the characteristic larval borings (see Figure 1) at the North Cerney site (SP 018088) — an area of unimproved limestone pasture with scattered old hawthorns — with him on 12.vi.1988. I have subsequently been examining dead hawthorn trunks widely in the county and have produced the following new records. Ravenswell Banks, Withington (SP 037164), 11.ix.1988, borings in dead hawthorn of old hedgerow above scrubby limestone pasture banks; Hornsleasow Roughs (SP 117326), 18.ix.1988, borings in old hedgerow hawthorn by expanse of rough unimproved pasture with frequent old hawthorns; Hick's Down, River Leach (SP 179077), 14.i.1989, borings in dead hawthorn within scrubby pasture; Cirencester Park (SO 995017), 11.ii.1989, borings in dead hawthorn in former hedgeline within permanent pasture; Woodbridge Banks, Withington (SP 046148), 9.iv.1989, borings in old hedge hawthorn; Sandhurst Nature Reserve (SO 817231), 20.viii.1989, very fresh

borings in dead hawthorn of old hedge; Charlton Abbots Estate, Winchcombe, 1.x.1989, borings in dead streamside hawthorns (SP 029252) and in dead hawthorn within scrubby pasture (SP 036249).

It is clearly widespread in the county, at least east of the River Severn. It is not however ubiquitous in old hawthorns — many sites visited showed no signs of activity. A visit to Eastnor Deer Park, near Ledbury in Herefordshire (SO 751382), 18.iii.1989, found further borings in old hawthorns in this area of ancient pasture woodland.

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Fig. 1. Section of dead hawthorn trunk with bark partially stripped away to reveal characteristic borings of *Agrilus sinuatus*. Scale 1: 4.

Agrilus angustulus (Illiger) (Coleoptera: Buprestidae) new to Gloucestershire. — A single *Agrilus angustulus* was found on a leaf of *Hypericum perforatum* L. growing by a ride in the oak-ash-hazel woodland of Hailey Wood in Gloucestershire (SO 955010), 30.vi.1985. This wood forms part of the important Cirencester Park Estate woodlands, and the record is the first of this species for the county — it is not included in Atty (1983). — Keith N. A. Alexander, 22 Cecily Hill, Cirencester, Glos. GL7 2EF.

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